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## **MUSIC CENTER EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR SPOTLIGHT AWARDS PERFORMING ARTS APPLICATIONS**

***Extended Deadline is October 8, 2010***

LOS ANGELES —The Music Center of Los Angeles County has extended its deadline for applications in the Performing Arts categories for the **23<sup>rd</sup> annual Music Center Spotlight Awards**.

Performing Arts applications must be received online or postmarked by no later than Friday, October 8, 2010. Visual Arts applications must be received online or postmarked by no later than Wednesday, December 1, 2010. The program is free and open to all students who attend high school in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura counties at time of deadline.

The **Music Center Spotlight Awards** program is one of the nation's most acclaimed performing and visual arts education programs for teens, offering training in the arts and awarding over \$100,000 in scholarships annually to finalists, semi-finalists, and participants who receive honorable mentions.

The program has launched numerous professional careers, from Adam Lambert to two recent "top ten" dancers on "So You Think You Can Dance." Fifteen Spotlight finalists are Presidential Scholars and many have joined or performed with professional companies including the Metropolitan Opera, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, American Ballet Theatre, Boston Symphony Orchestra, and the New York Philharmonic. Many alumni return to the program and participate as judges and master class instructors.

Frederic M. Roberts is founding chairman of the **Music Center Spotlight Awards** and Walter Grauman is creator/executive producer. Special thanks to Helen and Peter Bing for their generous support of the **Music Center Spotlight Awards**. **For more information about the Music Center Spotlight Awards program, visit [musiccenter.org](http://musiccenter.org).**

